Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend numbered paragraph 0001, as shown below:

This application is a continuation-in-part of an earlier filed application entitled "Collapsible Gazebo Frame with Independent Canopy Support", U.S. Serial Number 10/661,161, ~~(Docket Number NPUS-P004),~~ filed September 12, 2003. The earlier filed application is hereby incorporated by reference.

After numbered paragraph 0013 please add the following paragraphs, as shown below:

Figure 1a is an enlarged perspective view of a slider of the collapsible gazebo frame of Figure 1;

Figure 1b is an enlarged perspective view of another slider of the collapsible gazebo frame of Figure 1;

Please amend numbered paragraph 0019, as shown below:

The corner support members 112 rest on the surface of the ground. The scissor assemblies 130 are each coupled to a different pair of corner support members and can be extended and retracted. Each of the scissor assembly sliders 120 are slidingly coupled a different corner support member as illustrated in Figures 1 and 1a. The scissor assembly sliders are used to extend and retract the scissor assemblies coupled to their respective corner support members. That is, by sliding a scissor assembly slider along its corner support member, a user can extend and retract the respective scissor assemblies.

Please amend numbered paragraph 0020, as shown below:

In the canopy support frame 152, the canopy support members 143 are each coupled to a different corner support member. The canopy frame joints 148 which join the two portions of the canopy support members, the inner canopy support member 140 and the outer canopy support member 145, can be placed in a locked position to make the canopy support frame rigid. Each canopy frame slider 125 is slidingly coupled to a different corner support member. Each canopy frame slider is also coupled to a different canopy support member by the canopy frame extenders 150 as illustrated in Figures 1 and 1a. Upward movement of a given canopy frame slider causes the respective canopy frame extender to apply force to the respective canopy frame joint, thereby bringing the inner canopy support member and the outer canopy support member into linear alignment. The outer and inner canopy support members can be locked in linear alignment by locking the canopy frame slider in an upward position.

Please amend numbered paragraph 0027, as shown below:

Figure 4 is a perspective view showing the construction of a collapsible gazebo 400, according to another embodiment of the present invention. The collapsible gazebo frame 400 includes corner support members 112, scissor assemblies 130, scissor assembly sliders 120, and a canopy support frame 152. The canopy support frame 152 includes canopy support members 143, canopy frame joints 148, canopy support arms 455 and canopy frame extenders 450. The canopy support arms 455 couple to the canopy frame extenders 450 and to the scissor assemblies 130. Thus, the canopy frame extenders 450 do not directly couple to the scissor assembly sliders 120. The canopy support arms 455 may be pivotally connected to the scissor assemblies 130 offset from the scissor assembly sliders 120, as illustrated. In one aspect, the canopy support arms 455 described with reference to Figure 4 are used in conjunction with the canopy frame sleeves described with reference to Figure 2.

Please amend numbered paragraph 0028, as shown below:

Figure 5 is a detailed view showing a ~~showing a~~ canopy support arm 455, according to the embodiment depicted in Figure 4. The embodiment depicted in Figure 5 depicts one of the canopy frame extenders 450 coupled to one of the canopy support arms 455. The canopy support arm 455 is in turn coupled to one of the scissor assemblies 130. The canopy support arms 455 may be pivotally connected to the canopy frame extenders 450, as illustrated. The pivotal connection between the canopy support arm 455 and the canopy frame extender 450 and the pivotal connection between the canopy support arm 455 and the scissor assembly 130 may collectively form an angle for extending the canopy frame extender 450 centrally in the expanded orientation, as illustrated in Figures 4 and 5. For example, the pivotal connections may be non-parallel, such as one pivotal connection may be angularly offset by approximately forty-five degrees. Any suitable angle is contemplated within the scope and spirit of the present invention. For example, one of the pivotal connections of each canopy support arm 455 with the canopy frame extender 450 and the scissor assembly 130 may be provided by a ball and socket.